SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR AND FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

A LONG MEMORANDUM SENT ALONG WITH THE

MEASURE BY MR. HILL.

INV TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. May 2,-Governor Hill has signed Schater Saxton's Ballot Reform bill. He filed it with the Secretary of State this afternoon. With it there was filed a long memorandum, stating the Governor's reasons for signing the bill. The

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It has been my carnest endeavor during the past three
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erring the purity of our elections and promoting the in-ependence of the veter, should not unnecessarily infringe the rights of citizens or violate constitutional the rights of citizens or violate cit ly in making the exercise of the elective franchise merely in making the complicated. I have regarded it as important that the path to the ballot-box should be made free plain and unobstructed to the honest elector us effort to impose unnecessary restrictions and imnot adapted to our free institutions, or which would der our elections enormously expensive and vexatious. aly been partially a ccessful. In the interest of an emerable compromise of diverse opinions and with a heart desire to agree the purification of our elections, is something toward the purification of our elections, ren though it shall not be wholly satisfactory, I have felt constrained to yield my views as to several provisions which I must still deem imperfect and which I firmly believe will be so generally regarded when the defects

the new system

I have not strenuously insisted upon my own conctions in regard to the mere details of the measure,

nanhood suffrage.

It may, however, he safely asserted that the condistributional objections heretofore urred to the other bills sipen the same subject have been removed and the other sincipal objections previously suggested have been arrely obviated.

The Governor then refers to the changes wrought since the first bill was introduced, and reviews in detail the features of the present bill. apparently for the purpose of claiming the credit

for everything. In conclusion he says:

It is to be regretted that a proper general registration
of electors is not provided for in the hill. It is true that heretofore insisted that such a provision is a I have hereofore institute that such a provision is a necessary accompanism of a genuine electoral reform bill, and should be contained therein. I have yielded my views upon that point only upon the assurance that such a measure, which was agreed upon by the leading representatives of both political parties and which passed Senate nearly unanimously, would also pass the mbly. I have relied upon the good faith of the Logislature in respect to that bill, in approving this are with the registration provisions omitted

measure with the registration period this method adopts is not the Australian system, but it is a material modifica-The good features of that system have been sought to be retained in this measure, while its bad one have been rejected. The new method may more approelately be styled the American reform election system cause is aims at practical rather than theoretical reform and is in consensace with our American theory of govern

NEW CONFEREES ON RAPID TRANSIT.

WILL NOW TRY AND "GET TOGETHER."

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. Albany, May 2.—The Legi-lature has adjourned without the Senate and the Assembly reaching an agree ent upon the Passett Rapid-Transit bill. In both Louses to-day the Conference Committees reported that they could not agree, and new Conference Committees were appointed. The Republican senators are a unit that the Senate shall name as Rapid-Transit Commi sioners two of the Republicans and two of the Dem eats named in the first Passett bill, and that the Assembly shall name two Republicans and two Demo crats selected from the five men named by Mayor Grant as Rapid Transit Commissioners a month ago The Assembly Fish-Gibbs combine hinted to-day that before Sunday a sixth Rapid Transit Commissioner, to be a Republican, would be named by Mayo ant, and that on Monday they would return to Albany and insist upon these six gentlemen named h Mayor Grant-three Republicans and three Democrat-being put in the bill. Possibly some compromise may be made by the Republican Senators and Asemblymen in New-York during the rocess of the

As soon as the Clerk of the Senate had read the Conference Committee's report of disagreement, Fassett moved that the committee appointed by the senate be continued.

"I hardly see the use of that," said Mr. Cantor "There has been a disagreement, and the committee has so reported. If it is Mr. Fassett's intention to

continue this disagreement—"
"Not at all," interupted Mr. Fassett. "I don't propose, so far as I can help it, to continue the disagreement. I make this proposition because the members of the committee are eminently fair, calmminded men. They understand the temper of the ate and its judgment. I am very positive that in the committee they reflected with moderation and with honor the disposition of the Senate to meet the question, fairly, not dogma ically, not tyrannically but in a conciliatory manner. They presented last night a proposition to the Assembly Committee which as one Senator at least, would very much desire have made again to the new Assembly Conferen and hotorable in all its provisions, so little emba Houses, that it seems to me it is worthy a continued effort on the part of the Senale to secure its adoption on the part of the Assembly. I have not heard anywhere a valid criticism of any inequities or improprieties or unfairness which it may be alleged to I believe, as Disraeli said when he returned from the Berlin Conference, that if honor'; rapid transit without undue recession comprisine; and it is in the great hope that the spirit of the Schate toward the Assembly will be up

preciated by the new committee that I ask this favor."
"If the Assembly took the same position," replied Mr. Cantor, "that would be a most extraordinary condition of things. It has always been the custom that where conference committees fail to agree, a new on should be appointed on each side. If this new prece dent is to be inaugurated there can't possibly be any

Mr. Fassett declared he didn't want to be misunderstood or misrepresented, and so he withdrew his
motion and the matter was laid aside for a few
minutes to enable the majority to agree on a new
committee. Mr. Vedder presently moved that MesserFassett, saxton and Cantor be appointed. Mr. Canor
quibbled over the technicality that the report of disagreement had not been adopted and then insisted that
the president ought to name the new committee. The
Lieutenant-Governor, however, was not present in the
chamber, and after all the technicalities had been duly
compiled with Mr. Cantor's motion was voted down
and Mr. Fassett Mr. Saxton and Mr. Cantor were
declared appointed.

The Assembly appointed as its new Conference Committee on the bill, Messrs. Fish, Gardenier, Hoag,
Rinmenthal and Sheehan.

BILLS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE.

Alkany, May 2 (special, In the Assembly Mr. Hong's bill making the New-York City Chamberlain over all his fees to the city and giving him \$20,000 a year came up for pussage to day. Hoag offered an amendment, that the bill should not affect any possible action of the city pending or to be entered into. Mr. Sullivan objected, and as any smendment cannot be offered on final passage except by unanimous consent, Mr. Hosg withdrew the amendment. Mr. Shoehan then declared that the bill should be killed, for without the amendment New-York might less \$75,000. Upon this Mr. Hong had the bill laid lilled, for windows, the see \$75,000. Open this Mr. Heag had the see \$76,000. Open this Mr. Heag had the see at the senate a Conference Committee was appointed in the Lieson Registration bill. It is proposed to take the last day of registration the Saturday nine

THE SAXTON BILL A LAW. days before election, following the custom of New-York

SPEAKER HUSTED'S WRATH KINDLED. A CORRESPONDENT PUBLICLY APOLOGIZES FOR

SLANDERING THE GENERAL.

Albany, May 2 (Special).-Speaker Husted's attention was called this morning to an Albany dispatch in "The Brooklyn Citizen" of yesterday, making palpably false charges against him. Rightfully indignant, the Speaker read the offensive dispatch to the memorandum says in part:

The people of the State are to be congratulated on The people of the State are to be congratulated on The people of the state accured the enactment of a reasonable and baring at last accured the enactment of a reasonable and baring at last accured the enactment of a reasonable and baring at last accured the unanimous support of each branch. The bill received the unanimous support of each branch of the Legislature, and apparently reflects faithfully the through the Assembly vesterday, and is to be rushed.

his part, In belings to defeat a bill relating to the repairing of secondaves, Brooklyn.

Chicago, Nay 2 (Specials—A meeting of Western railroad presidents will be held here Monday, to condition of the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consisting of President Calles, of the Rock Island; President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistry by a committee consistency. President Miller, of the St. Plans for the meeting have been arranged emistively and the state of the Miller Bank of the Miller Bank of the Calles, of Grammar Shaol No. 9, 54 at the Miller Bank of the Calles, of Grammar Shaol No. 9, 54 at the Miller Bank of the Calles of the Miller Bank of the Calles of the Miller Bank of the Calles of the Calles of the Miller Bank o as free, plain and thousernessed to the namest elector as a simple and practical statute could render it, and as as recent developments had given most of the depositers warning. The office was opened at the usual letters and other documents had apparently burned. Only a few charred remnants could be found to tell the nature of the papers, but on nearly every one of these fragments the name of the Fidelity appeared. One or two envelopes had been blown from the pile by the wind. They were addressed to the victions in regard to the secondary principles has been the pile by the wind. They were addressed to the required-principles vital to the maintenance of free Fidelity Company. The papers had evidently been

bonds. Charles L. Work, it is understood, owns nearly all the stock of the company Treasurer Allison this afternoon declined to make any statement or to answer any question regarding the condition of the concern. President Work said: "Under a raid, no company can stand. We are all right if we are given a chance to realize without sacrifice on our assets. This has all come from the report that I had stock in the Bank of America. I sold out my lank of America. I sold out my lank of America.

Cashier Stokes was at the broken Gloacester Cit. Bank early this morning, but could give none of the unfortunate depositors cheering information. Bank Examiner Drew arrived at Gloucester from Wash ington this afternoon, but has not completed his examination. He said, however, that all the depospany, said that his company was all right, and that now had no closer connection with it than that of the absence of the president

Bridgeton, N. J., May 2 (Special).—The Port Nor To BE I CASED TO THE VERMONT CONSOLIDATED. oystermen and small merchants, upon whom the less will fail heavily. Several prominent business men had small deposits, to encourage the new bank and for their own focal convenience, though they have regarded the bank as ancertain from its saring, about a year ago. The Cumberland Bank at Entireposit, sent its checks down for collection by promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check were promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check were immediately break and promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check were promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward, when the heat check are promptly pank. Some afterward,

Atlantic City, N. J., May 2.—The Merchants' Bank of this city, suspended pashernt at 2 o'celek time aftermoon, on account of a run caused by published reports that its brances at Firmer, Pleasantville, Erg Harbor City and Maillea Hall had closed on account of the suspension of the Eank of America in Philia delphia. There was an excited crawd about the land. The depositors are principally small business men. The depositors are principally small business men. The capital of the bank, paid up, is \$50,000; the deposits are estimated at \$50,000. Pleasantville, N. J., May 2.—The Merchants' Bank, of this place, suspended today. The bank did not open its doors at the usual hour, and the news soon spread that the institution had failed. Depositors flocked to the scene, but could not gain admittance. The officials late in the day made a statement to the effect that the bank's failure was due to its loss of credit, caused by the pulination of its connection with the Bank of America, of Philadelphia. The bank officers say that the depositors will be paid in full.

A SAVINGS BANK RESUMING BUSINESS. Framingham, Mass., May 2.—The Framingham savings Bank, the affairs of which became tangled broat when it was found that the bank was insolven will resume husiness on May 15, as a result of the efforts of Edward P. Chapin, chairman of the Bank commissioners. The rause of the failure of the bank was the infedictous loan of its funds.

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TO HEAR MR. GILROY'S TESTIMONY.

The last hearing of the Senate General Laws Committee on the question of gas and electric lighting which will be held during this session of the Legi-lature will take place at the Hotel Metropole this morning. There will probably be a full attendance of the members of the committee. One of the witnesses she has been subposmed to testify is Thomas F. Gil or, Commissioner of Public Works. Commissioner Gil-ny was out of the city in work ago, when the com-nities expected to question him regarding the laying if gas and steam pipes and the dangers which exist in

REPUBLICAN CLUBS COMBINING.

A meeting of representatives of twelve Republican clubs of Brocklyn to formulate a plan for unity of ction among them was held at the rooms of the Fed eral Clab, No. 213 Court st., Brooklyn, last evening A dozen clubs were represented. Dr. W. H. Pendry of the Federal Club, presided. Various plans for unity of action were put forward by Mesers. Jones jark, Williams and Mills and others, and the discus-Clark, Williams and Mills and others, and the discussion was protracted until a late hour. The following committee was appointed to submit a plan of action: J. R. Gleason, Colonel J. W. Jones, Colonel George C. Clark, W. E. Jones and Frank Hallenbeck. Another meeting will be held in two weeks at the rooms of the raif sheridan Club, of the First Ward, at Fulton and Pineapple sts. All Republican chals are invited to end three delegates to the meeting.

THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT.

From The New York City Record.

A more careful and thorough inspection of immi grants will be made previous to their reaching the landing statish. An increased force has been appointed with a view to greater efficiency, and John E. Milholland has been made chief of the Inspection Department. The selection is in all respects a most admirable one. Mr. Milholland will be responsible for the working of the system, and will mean the utmost vigilance from his subordinates that the law may be enforced in its full spirit and strict construction.

Incoming ships will be met at Quarantine, and as that place the inspectors will seek to prevent violations of the law, and when persons are found whe are subject to detention their case will at one receive the attention of the proper authorities, will the purpose of sending them back to their respective countries.

This rigid system of inspection will save much labor. From The New York City Record.

This rigid system of inspection will save much labor interatence with brain fever, and annoyance, and will weed out undestrable and annoyance, and will weed out undestrable and annoyance, and will weed out undestrable and in a precarious condition. It is obliged to close the season.

hospitality of the country, and who are likely to so the seeds of panperism and crime in our favore country. Mr. Milholland enjoys the confidence an esteem of business men in this city, as well as a other persons with whom he has come in contact persons with what official capacity.

RAILROAD INTERESTS.

RATE-CUTTING BY THE GREAT NORTHERN. Chicago, May 2 (Special).-The Great Northern has made a slash in lake and rail rates to St. Paul, the effect of which will be more far-reaching than any cut Assembly and submitted the matter to it. The correspondent who had written the dispatch was put in the custody of the seargeant at arms. A touch of by classes from New-York being 55, 41, 34, 26, 21 burlesque at this point was imparted to the affair by Mr. Globs, of New-York, exhibiting great wrath, and are 52, 41, 32, 25, 20 and 18; from Philadelphia through the Assembly yesterday, and is to be rushed through the Senate next week with the same scandalous 51 cent basis, and the basis from Chicago to the 51-cent basis, and the basis from Cheago to consider the Missouri River is 60 cents. Comequently it is now cheaper by 16 cents per 100, first class, from New York to any Missouri River point, via 8t. Paul. than via Chitago. In like manner it is 23 cents cheaper via 8t. Paul from Roston. All the Great Northern rates go into effect on May 1. The Chicago westbound lines will be compelled to apply desperate remedies if they wish to meet the difficulty.

WESTERN PRESIDENTS TO DISCUSS RATES. Chicago, May 2 (Special).—A meeting of Western railroad presidents will be held here Monday, to con-

MR. TUTTLE'S SUCCE-SOR NOT APPOINTED. The regular weekly meeting of the Trunk Line general passenger agents vesterday was devoted to routine matters. Nothing has been accomplished for providing a successor to Commissioner Pattle.

KANSAS FARMERS WANT REDUCED BATES. Mr. Ellison, who is secretary and treasurer, after locking and barring all the windows and doors, left the office about noon, and the place was without an occupant after that the onice about noon, and the Personal that the property of the Alliance and farmers of Ransas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent that the present local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent local rates from Kansas do respectfully represent local rates from Kansas do respective from Kansas do respective

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We are all right if we are given a chance to realize without sacrifice on our a-sets. This has all come chicago and Orasha. The second line is from savatina. The property that I had stock in the Bank of America. I sold out my lank of America stock over a year ago, and since that time have had no connection with it whatever."

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ris Bank, a branch of the Cameon Fidelity Security
and Trust Company, closed its doors this room. Its
dencit of deposits is \$11,000, belonging chiefly to itself-and to lease its road to the Convolidated Railroad of

THE KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION MEETING.

Lexington, Ky., May 2 .- J. S. Stoll, of Lexington Manherine, Ry., May be brood mare Armes Wickfield, by Mambrino Patchen, dam Sue Neale, by Mari. Downing, R. P. Pepper, Frankfort, Ky., has sold to A. E. Woodson, U. S. A., for a big price a number of ungsters by Onward. "Tom" Kiley's brother has rrived here with Terra Cotta. He says the horse will never be trained again, but will go into the stud-gre, where he will be joined by Little Minch when the after's racing days are over. Horses are arriving here every day for the coming meeting of the Kentucki Association. Everything is in readiness, and a great meeting is expected. The city is fall of horsemen, here to inspect the thoroughbred yearlings to be sold in city next week. The schedule of sales is as ws: Monday, Runnymede, Coldstream and Loudoun, at Paris, Ky.; Thesday, breeders' sale; Wednes-day, Edgewater and Kineston stude; Thursday, Bruce

day, Edgewater and Kin ston studs. Thursday, Bruce a Kide's combination sale, and Friday, S. D. Ernee's combination sale. All save Monday's sale will be held to this city. The Phoenix Hotel Stake has been run here annually, except a few years of the war, for sixy shie years. "Ben' Bruce thinks English Lady will win it this year. Some of the greatest American horses have wen it, Including Leaington, Enquirer, star Davis, Magic and Planetarium.

NEW TROUBLE OVER DR. CRONIN'S BODY.

Chicago, May 2 (Special).—Alexander Clark, a lawyer, to-day charges that the Cronin Memorial Committee has been guilty of some sharp practice in regard to the interment of the doctor's body. There is an ordinance in the village of South Evanston probabilities that he burial of bodies within 900 feet of the lake. The lot chosen for the final resting place of Dr. Cronin in Calvary Cemetery, is within 200 feet of the lake and, of course, comes within the prescribed limits. A few days ago Mr. Clark told Mr. Boland, the secretary of the committee, that he did not wish to have them go to any expense in the matter of preparing the lot for the intenment, as the low of the prescribed limits. A few days ago Mr. Clark told Mr. Boland, the secretary of the committee, that he did not wish to have them go to any expense in the matter of preparing the lot for the intenment, as the "On the prescribed limits, and the did not wish to have them go to any expense in the matter of preparing the lot for the intenment, as the "On the prescribed limits, as the "On the prescribed limits, as the lot of the lake and, of coarse, comes within the prescribed limits, a few days ago Mr. Clark told Mr. Boland, the secretary of the committee, that he did not wish to have them go to any expense in the matter of preparing the lot for the intenment, as the "On the prescribed limits, as the lot of the lake and, of coarse, comes within the prescribed limits, as the lot of the secretary of the committee, that he did not wish to have them go to any expense in the matter of preparing the lot for the interment, as the trustees would not allow the hody to be boried there. Wh. Clark now says that he has learned that Dr. Cronin's body was taken straithly out of the receiving vault on Wednesday morning, and buried within the prescribed limits. This is dealed by the Memorial committee, but the matter has created a great scandal.

SERIOUS RESULTS OF THE STAUNTON ACCIDENT.

Italtimore, May 2.—The results of the railroad accident on the Chesapeake and Onio Railroad to Rice's "Pearl of Pekin" Company are more serious than was at first supposed. Miss Bertie Fish, the southertic, is still at Staunton, Va., and it is reported that she is not likely to recover the use of her limbs, which are now paralyzed. Louis R. Harrison, the comedian of the company, who was injured about the head, is threatened with brain fever, and is considered to be in a precarious condition. Mr. Rice states that he is obliged to close the season.

CELEBRATING ARBOR DAY.

CEREMONIES IN THE SCHOOLS.

TREE-PLANTING AND SPECIAL EXERCISES-A VOTE ON THE MOST POPULAR FLOWER-

Arbor Day exercises were held in the public schools all over the city yesterday afternoon. There was little attempt to do any actual tree-planting, but the recitations and addresses were all selected with a view to carrying out the practical as well as the poetical idea of arboriculture. State superintendent Draper issued a programme, which was followed by the direction of City Superintendent Jasper in the general arrangement. Each school and department had its special programme, making in all more than 300 special exercises, many of which were largely attended by the parents of the pupils and the friends of the schools. The following is one of the programmes Hymn, "To Thy Pastures"; song, "The Wood Nymph's Call"; reading, "Planting of the Apple Tree"; song, "Rock-a-liye Baby"; reading, "Arbor Day" song, "Oft in the Stilly Night"; recitation, "Forest Hymn": recitation, "Gladness of Nature"; song, "Anchored"; recitation, "Woodman Spare That Tree" essay, "Forest Trees"; song, "National Hymn."

In several schools a pretty acrostic was one of the features of the programme. Eight girls were crowned with wreaths of flowers, whose initial letters formed the words "Arbor Day," Each recited a stanza in praise of the flowers she wore; the arbutus, rose, buttercup, ox-eye, rhodora, daifodil, aster and yellow

Arbor Day was celebrated in Brooklyn by the Tree Planting and Fountain Society by setting out an oak tree upon the spot where a great white oak stood making the boundary between Brooklyn and Flatbush before the Percentage. At the Pattle of Long Island Topeka, Kan., May 2.—The Board of Railroad Com-ulssioners has received petitions signed by 20,000 farmers on August 27, 1776, it was cut down to aid in barri

RESIGNING FROM THE ATCHISON.

Chicago May 2.-J. E. Goddard, third vice-president of the Atchison, lopeka and santa Fe has resigned. He decided upon this step two weeks are when President Manvel and several of the directors of the company were in California. Without awaiting their return, Mr. Goddard telegraphed his resignation to the president, to take effect May 1. He has left Chicago for the Park, and the No. 1. School Commissioner Jacob Sandford, of Mount Vernon, made the principal address. Flags

on Long Island. At all the schools in Long Island City the day was becomingly observed. Mayor Gleason visited each of the tweize schools, and his appearance was a signal for cheers and handelapping. The most interesting exercises took pikes at the First Ward school. At the close of the exercises a committee componed of two loyer from each class in the school planted in front of the building three trees.

st, at 9 o'clock last night. He had been staying at the hotel since December 19, and was last seen alive at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. When discovered he was lying between the wall of the room and his

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

BRUNSWICK Mayor Erratt of Ottawa Canada. FIFTH AVENUE Senato, Engene Hule, of Maine: ex-Governor A. H. Littleffeld, of Rhode Island, and ex-Attency Governor A. H. Littleffeld, of Rhode Island, and ex-Attency General Hamilton Ward of Belmont N. Y. MET-HOPOLE: State Senators C. P. Vedder, Norton Chass, John J. Linson and H. J. Corgeshall, MURITAY HILL. Professor William G. Sumber, of New-Haven, NEW-YORK—Congressmen Samuel Dibble and William H. Perty, of South Carolina, ST. JAMPS, Joneth Ruths Sayton, U. S. Army WINDSON Congressman Samuel P. Snider, of Minnesota, and Hamilton Harris, of Albany.

The well-known law firm of Cowen, Needl & Brown was succeeded on May 1 by a new one, which will be known as Cowen, Dickerson, Nicoll & Brown, Dickerson, Dickerson, Nicoll & Brown, Dickerson, Di of Mr. Dickerson and Edwin H. Brown.

AN ILLUSION RUDELY DISPELLED.

From The Chicago Tribune.

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Then it is all over between us, is it?

"It is, sir:"

In that case I need not tresposs further, Miss Billierson, on your valuable time?

The young man rose to go. His face was pale, and his eyes were moist with unshed tears. But no protest escaped his lips. He have without a marmar the blow that had fallen upon him.

"Do not interrupt me, Cyrus Itaker," she said, in a commanding voice; and with her head thrown back and her arms waving wildly in the air she went on: "I speak not of the crushing out of fond hopes, the withering of budding blossoms of joy, the rude awakening from dreams of paradise; What are these to us now! We can only bow to the fate that has wrought its work upon us, and with humility go forward......"

IT LOOKS BAD FOR HOOKER

MR. HAMMERSTEIN PROMPTLY DISCHARGED IN COURT.

HE WILL HAVE THE POLICE CAPTAIN HIMSELF ARRESTED AND WANTS TO TESTIFY BE-

FORE THE FASSEET COMMITTEE-SYMPATHY FOR THE MANAGER.

Oscar Hammerstein, the Harlem theatrical manager gave Captain Hooker, of the Thirtieth Precinct, his Waterloo in the Harlem Police Court yesterday morn-Mr. Hammerstein was arrested on Thursday night charged with a violation of the theatrical lay Captain Hooker quoted from the Consolidation Act to prove that he had not acted in spite in making the He said that the license expired at 12 o'clock noon on May 1, and that in giving a performance at night the law had been violated.

Justice Murray said that no law could make any day end at noon instead of at midnight, and therefore the complaint would have to be dismissed. Captain Hooker protested against the dismissal, and asked that the defendant be punished. The request was denied, and then Mr. Hammerstein gave his version of the case. He said that it was one of blackmail and persecution on the part of the captain because of a refusal to give tickets and employment to such per

in Russia would such on outrage as this be permitted. It is blackmail on a man who has invested a half Mr. Hammerstein went to the Mayor's office yesterday in no gentle humor. He had been there on the previous day to get his theatrical license, and George

Best, the Mayor's clerk who go of the issuing of licenses. charge told him that the document would be ready for him in half Inspector Williams called the police reserves from six and many license applicants were shead of Mr. Hammerstein. He offered to leave the amount of the license fee, \$500, with Mr. Best, but the latter declined to receive it until the license was signed by the Mayor and ready to be issued. He also told Mr. Hammerstein that he would prefer a check, payable to the Controller's order, instead of the greenbacks, Mr. Hammerstein did not return to the Mayor's office on Thursday to get his license, and the consequence was that the police arrested him and closed up his establishment that evening.

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he thought chargeable with his arrest. He got his

Mr. Hammerstein, who was seen last night at his Harlem Opera House, where "Held by the Enemy" was playing, said: "Although I took the money for my license to the Mayor's office Thursday, my license. ing for it. I understood that it would be perfectly legal for me to open my house Thursday night. When first went for my license to-day I was told that I could not have it; that it would be two weeks before t would be ready; that they would have to send up to Captain Hooker and inquire about the character of my house. I determined not to submit to any such outrage. I went out and got a newspaper friend. We returned to the Mayor's office together, and my license was at once handed to me."

Mr. Best explained the affair in this way : " these theatrical men," he said, "walt until the last moment and then expect to have their business put through like a shot. Mr. Hammerstein's license was nade out, signed and ready for alm before the close of office kours yesterday, and if he had come back he

his arrest was an outrage, due to the cap-min's spite against him. At the request of Mr. Murray, Mr. Hammerstein promised to return to the Central Office to-day to make a sworn com-plaint against Captain Hooker. At the same time the superintendent directed furpoctar Coulin to berin an investigation of the captain's conduct. Inspector onlin summoned Hooker to his office, and ordered im to write out a full report of the arrest of Mr. Hammerstein, as a basis for the investigation. Mean-shifte the Police Commissioners at their meeting had adopted a resolution, offered by Mr. Martin, calling r an investigation and report by the Superintendent garding the alleged misconduct of Captain Hooker. we plain that Captain thouser would be placed that lefore the Commissioners on Mr. Hammer-

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Superintendent Murray said that he might have something to say about Captain Hooker's case to-day.

"The dea, said a well known Harlem man, "of telling Mr. Hammerstein that the character of his house must be investigated. There is no more reputable theatre in the city."

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"The arrest of Manager Hammerstein, and the interpretary of the performance," said another, "was an outrage upon the public as well as upon the manager. It was an unnecessary exercise of power, even if the officer was acting within the law, but I don't believe the law authorizes any such action," When the manager's friends anyised him to push this afair to the end, he said: "I intend to. I have made a complaint to the Police Commissioners. I have written a letter to Mr. Fassett, of the Investigating Committee, and I have instructed my lawyers, Dixon & Steele, No. 42 Wall st., to bring sait against Captain Hooker for false impersonment and damages. Look at the small house to high; small because people didn't know whether there would be a performance or not. I am out at least \$1,000 already by the trouble. It's simply blackmail, and I think the thing was put up by Hooker with the Mayor's office."

Nothing has excited so much indignation in Harlem in a long time as this apparently influstitable piece of official arregame and spic, and the action of Captain Hooker is denounced on every hand.

Among the theatre managers yesterlay there was a good deal of hustling for the immediate renewal of licentes, and Mr. Hammerstein's experience was about as much talked of as all other subjects put together. There were few indeed in the evening who would admit that they were not in fear of police interference, and their experience had given them no cause to expect trouble, but some thought that the demands made on the box-offices were occasionally rather large.

CHARGED WITH BOYCOTTING A POSTOFFICE. Eric, Penn., May 2 (Special).-John Cooper, an exstmaster at Rundels, Crawford County, was brought here to night by United States Marshal Lord on a harge of boycotting a postoffice and of maintaining on manthorized postofice. Cooper, who is a mer-chant, continued to run an office, at which he received mail and distributed that received by his son from the regular office for certain persons. The office had been given to John Roberts, a business competitor of Cooper.

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FURNITURE MAKES A BIG BLAZE.

A LOSS OF \$50,000 IN ROOSEVELT-ST.-FIREMEN HAVE A HARD FIGHT.

The six-story building Nos. 19 and 21 Roosevelt-st., in which furniture was packed on every floor, caught fire soon after 10 a. m. yesterday and was burned out. Josiah Partridge, the furniture dealer of Nos. 356 and 358 Pearl-st., used the building as a storage place for furniture shipped from the West, and he had furniture worth about \$40,000 in the building when the fire was discovered. Twelve men were at in the building putting the finishing touches to some furniture which was to be removed. Six of them were on the top floor, and they were obliged to take to the fire-escapes and climb to the roof of an adjoining tenement house. They had a narrow escape from injury.

The flames started in the third story in some un-

known way and spread through the building before the firemen could be summoned. A third alarm was sounded and special calls were sent out until fifteen engines, two water towers and several hook and ladder companies were at work around the building, but the other buildings in the block seemed to be in danger. precincts to keep the crowds in check and give the

NOVEL TEST OF A SUPPOSED FIRE ESCAPE.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., May 2 (Special).-Between 5 and 6 this afternoon a young man, who gave his name himself from the new suspension bridge nearly to the river below, a distance of 192 feet. he was helped by an aluminum-steel tape, small in size, but capable of sustaining a weight of nearly 1,000 pounds. One end of this tape was fastened 1,000 pounds. One end of this tape was fastened firmly to the bridge, near the centre. The man grasped the reel about which the other end was wound, and by means of a clutch was able to lower thinself or stop at will. When he reached a point a short distance from the water he hung until his photograph had been taken. Wednesday he tested the tape by dropping over the bank of Goat Island to the patch below. It is understood that the tape is to need as a fire escape.

PREPARING FOR THE FALL CAMPAIGN

A meeting of the Republican District Committee of the XXIst Assembly District was held last night in Morton Hall, No. 8 East Fifty-ninth-st. This club is already at work on the fall campaign, and inside of could have received it. The summary action of the a few weeks the entire district will have been can would have received it. The summary action of the police was wholly mexpected.**

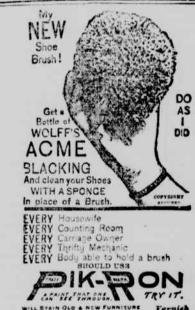
Mr. Hammerstein went to Pelice Headquarters in the afternoon and made a verbal complaint to superintendent Murray. He repeated his declaration that he had beer blockmasted by Captain Hooker, and that his arrest was an outrage, due to the captain's spite against him. At the request of the Governor signed yesterday.

Jay Gould returned from his Western trip late Thursday evening. He spent a short time at his office in the Western Union Telegraph Company's building yesterday morning, and then went up town. His friends say that he is looking well, and is in good health and spirits. He deried himself to re-porters who sought to obtain his views on the Western rainway situation.

AN UNUSUALLY LARGE DELAWARE SHAD.

Belvidere, N. J., May 2.-The largest shad ever caught above tidewater in the Delaware River has just been taken in the not of William Smith, an old fisherman, at the Lambersville fishery. It measured 31 inches in length, 8 inches in breadth and 5 inches in thickness and weighed 13 1-2 pounds. It was presented to Frank Ellmaker, of sunbury, Penn., after being photographed.

A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE RANDALL DISTRICT. Harrisburg, Penn., May 2.-Governor Beaver has issued a proclamation for a special election, to be held on Tuesday. May 20, for a successor to the late samuel J. Randall in the Hid Congressional District



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